

FIG. 1A (PRIOR ART)



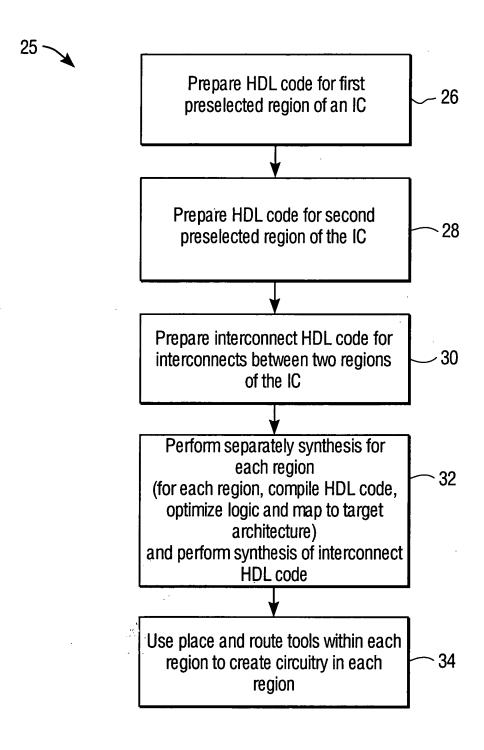


FIG. 1B (PRIOR ART)



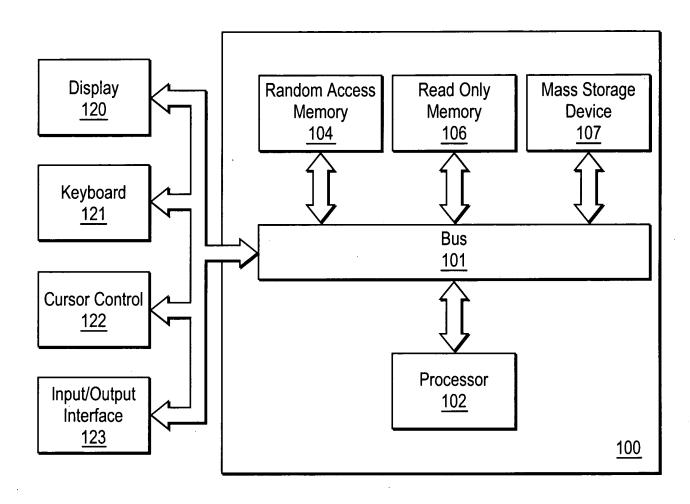


FIG. 2

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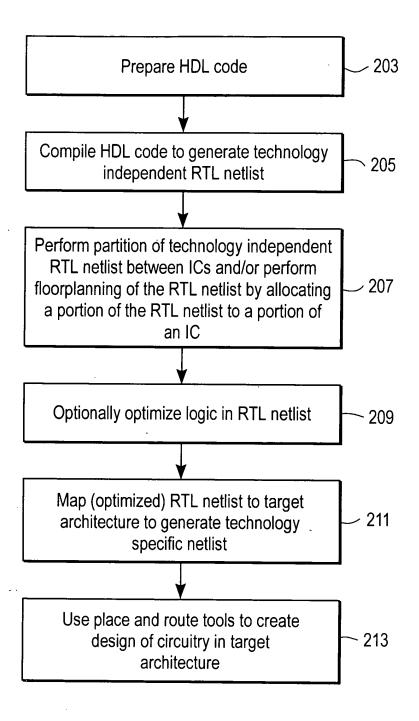


FIG. 3

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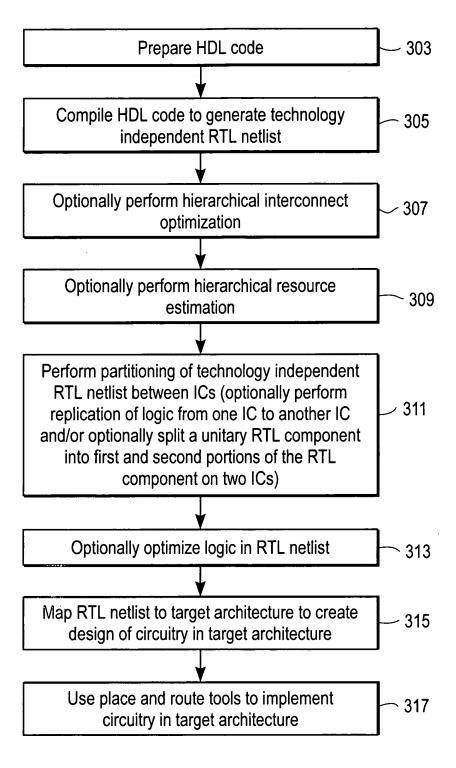


FIG. 4A

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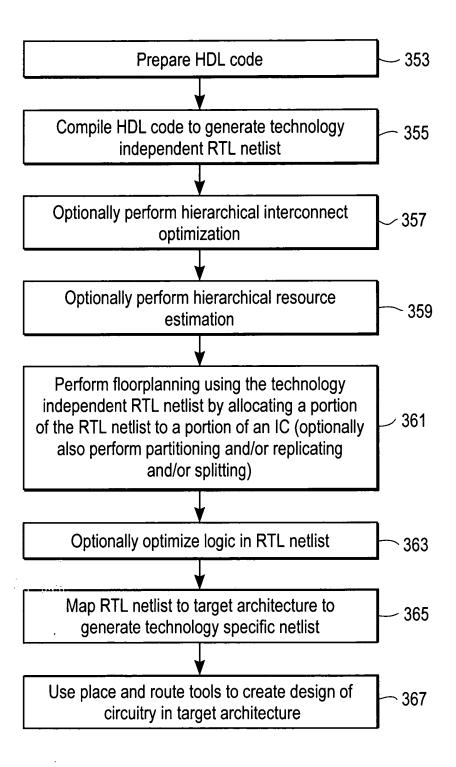


FIG. 4B



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## Hierarchical Interconnect Optimization

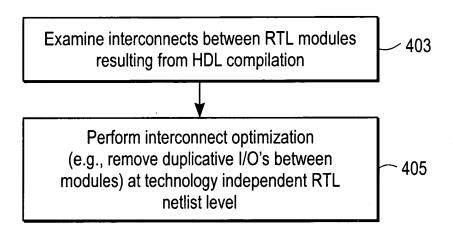


FIG. 5A



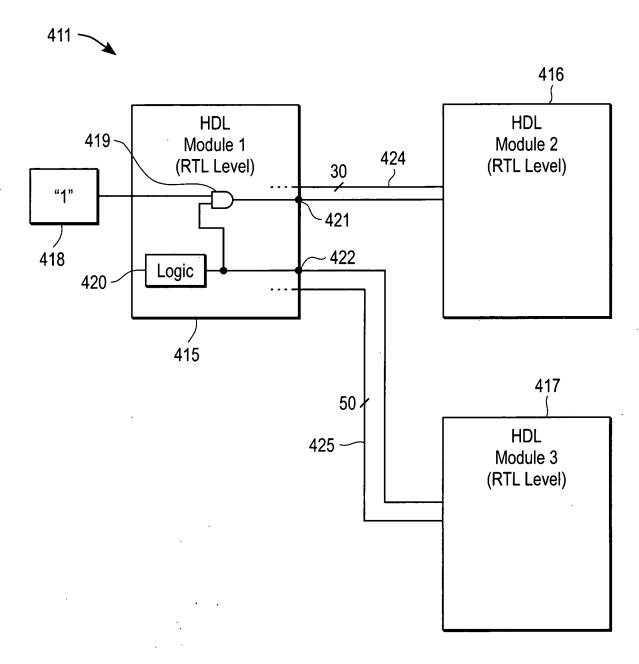


FIG. 5B

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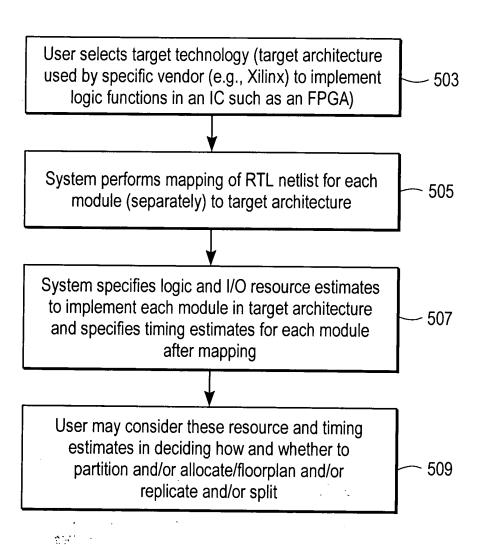
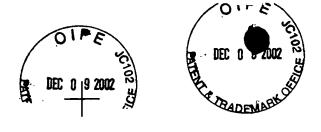


FIG. 6



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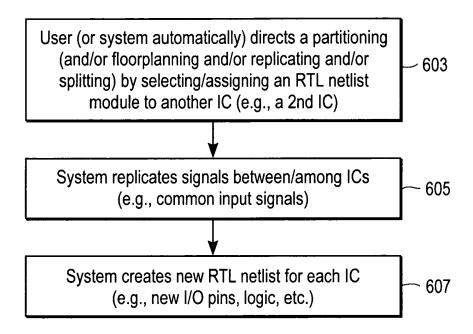


FIG. 7A



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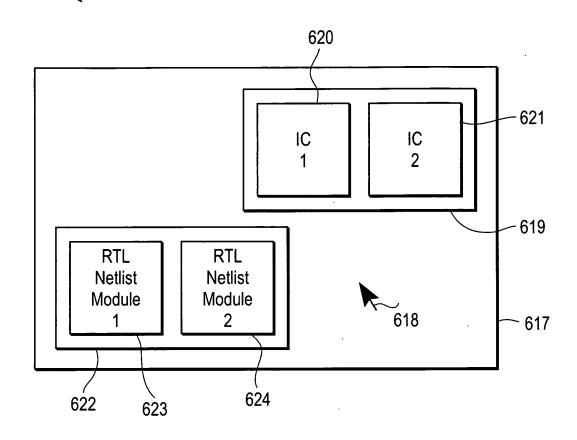


FIG. 7B

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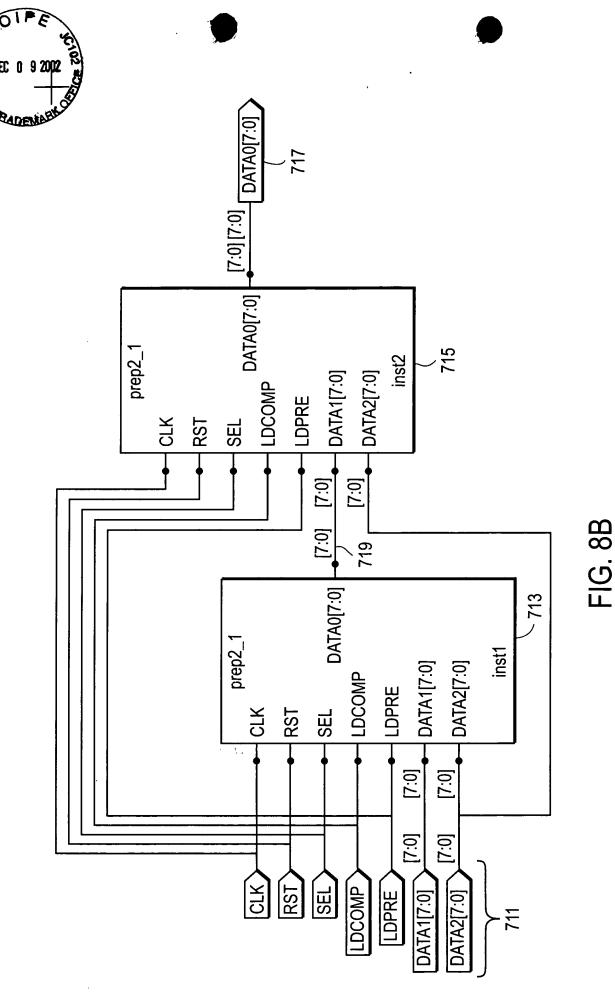
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module prep2_2 (DATA0, DATA1, DATA2, LDPRE, SEL, RST, CLK,LDCOMP);
output [7:0] DATA0;
input [7:0] DATA1, DATA2;
input LDPRE, SEL, RST, CLK, LDCOMP;
wire [7:0] DATA0_internal;
prep2_1 inst1 (CLK, RST, SEL, LDCOMP, LDPRE, DATA1, DATA2, DATA0_internal);
prep2_1 inst2 (CLK, RST, SEL, LDCOMP, LDPRE, DATA0_internal, DATA2, DATA0);
endmodule
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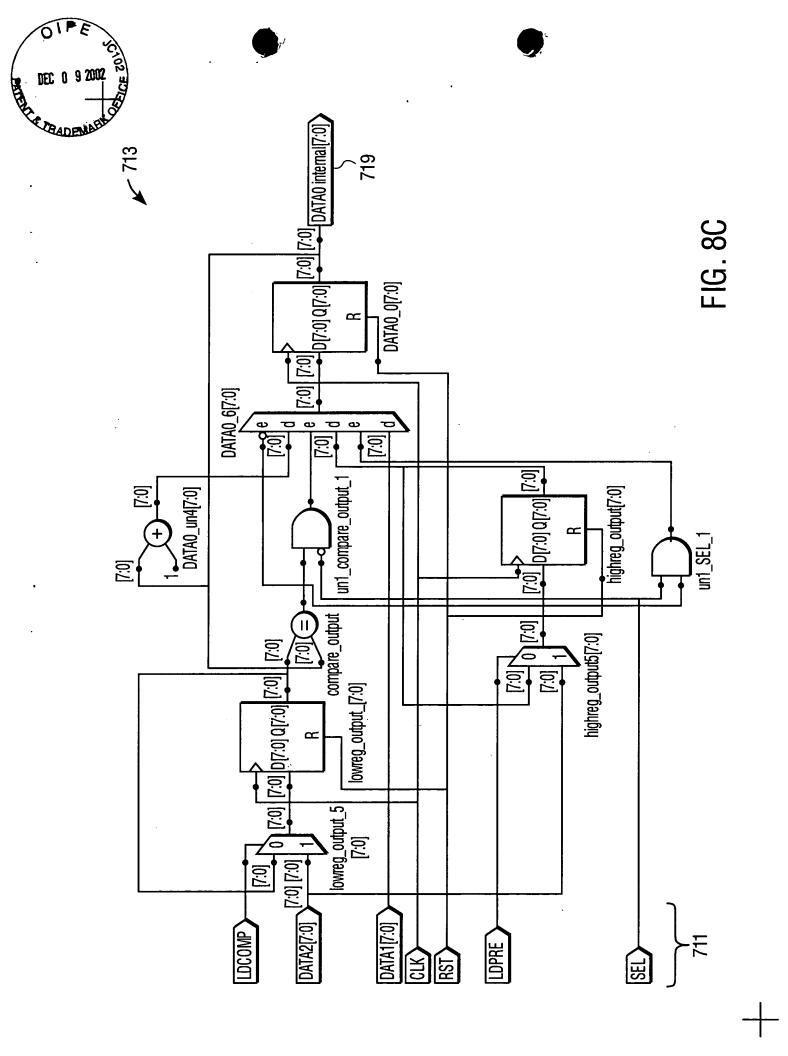
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input CLK, RST, SEL, LDCOMP, LDPRE:
input [7:0] DATA1, DATA2;
output [7:0] DATA0;
reg [7:0] DATA0;
reg [7:0] highreg_output, lowreg_output; // internal registers
wire compare_output = (DATA == lowreg_output); // comparator
wire [7:0] mux_output = SEL ? DATA1 : highreg_output; // mux
// registers
always @ (posedge CLK or posedge RST)
begin
      if (RST) begin
             highreg output = 0;
             lowreg output = 0;
      end else begin
                if (LDPRE)
                highreg output = DATA2:
                if (LDCOMP)
                lowreg_output = DATA2;
      end
end
// counter
always @ (posedge CLK or posedge RST)
begin
      if (RST)
             DATA0 = 0
      else if (compare_output) // load
             DATA0 = mux output:
      else
             DATA0 = DATA0 + 1:
end
endmodule
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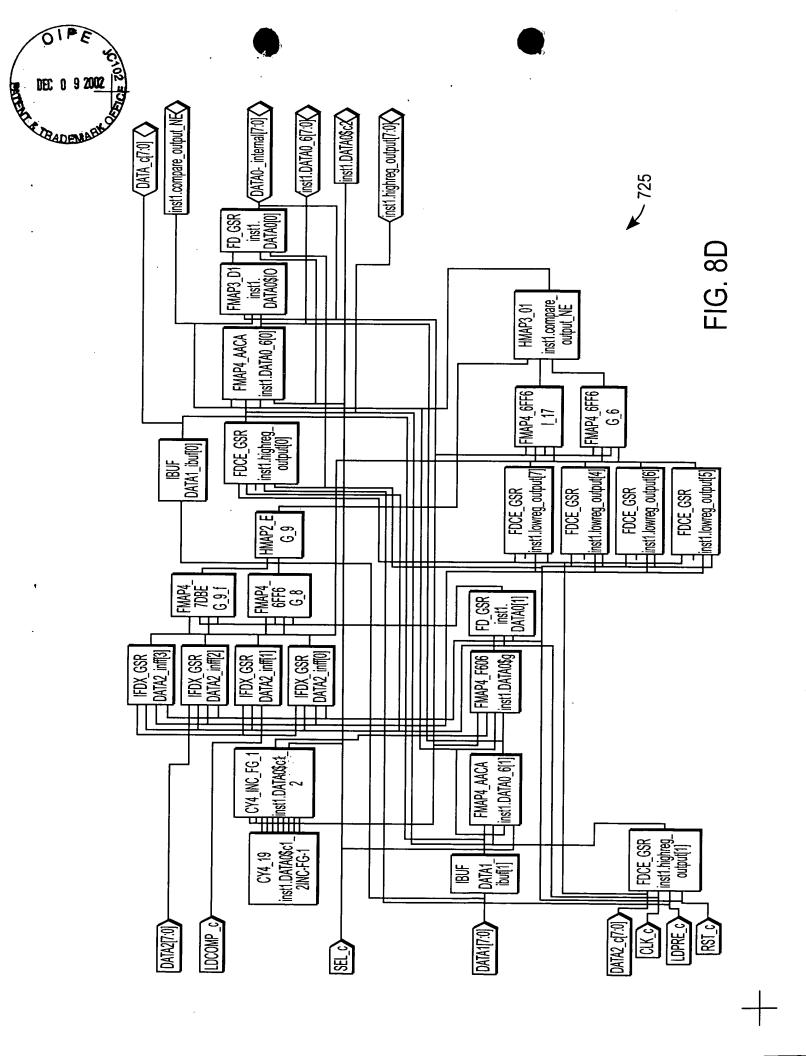
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FIG. 8A

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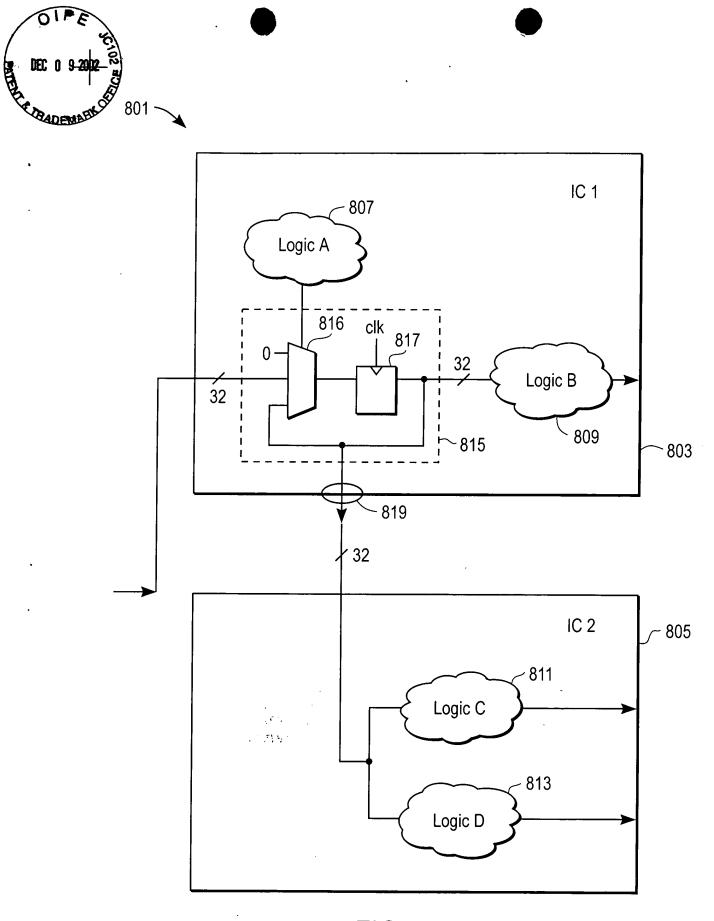


FIG. 9A

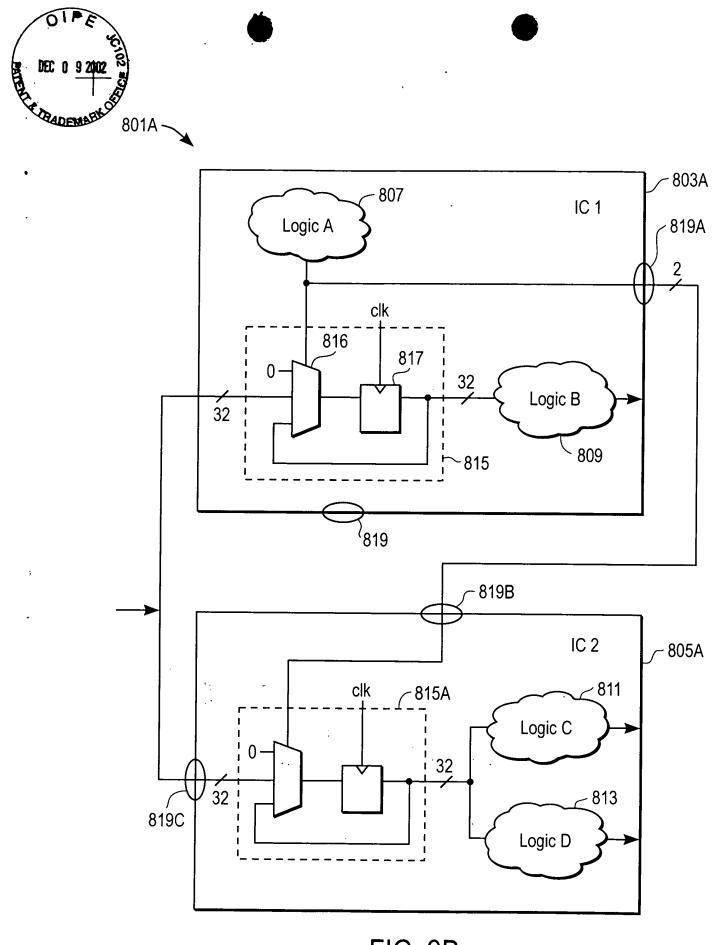


FIG. 9B

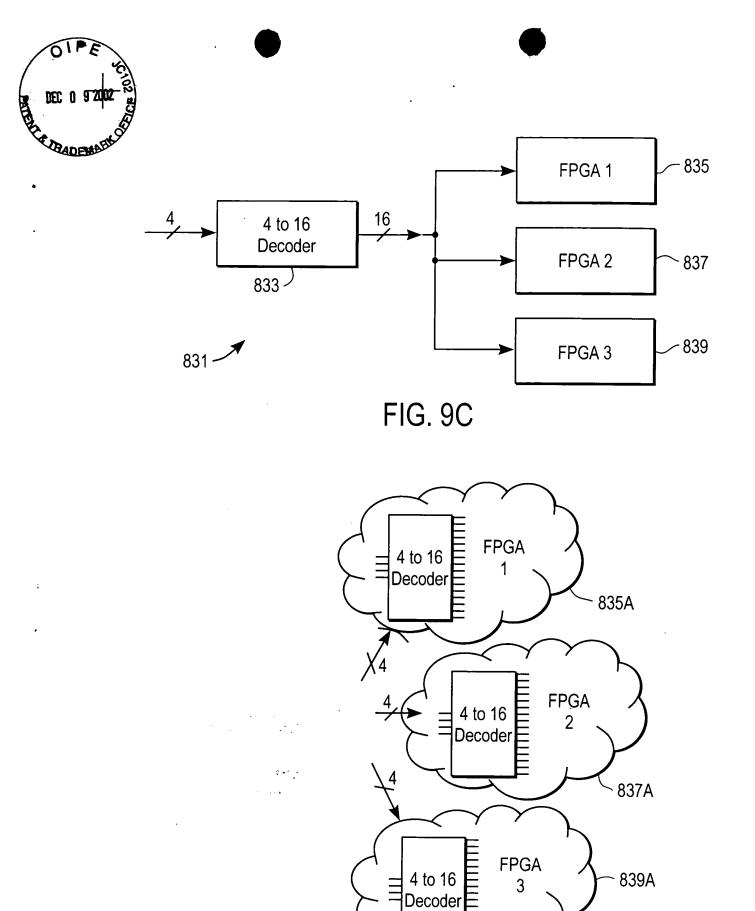
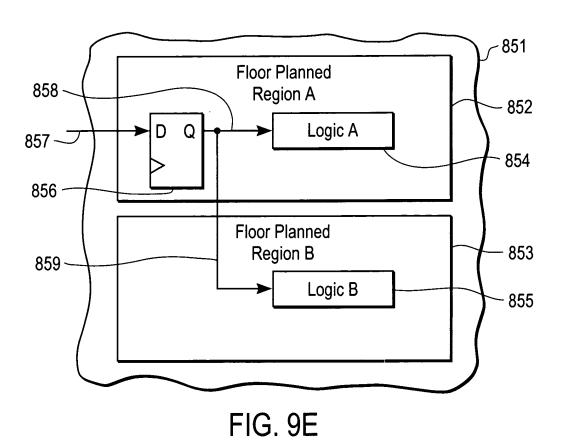
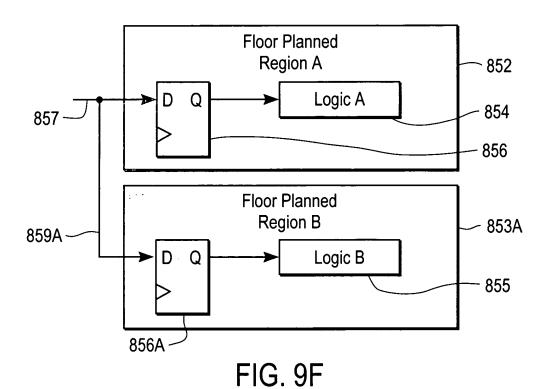


FIG. 9D









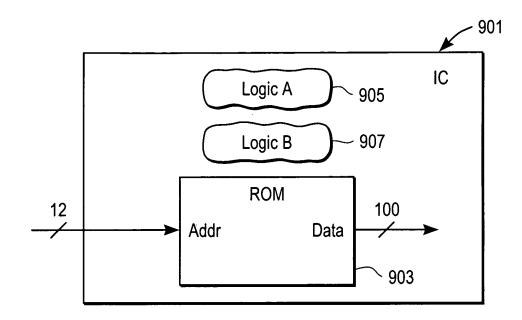


FIG. 10A

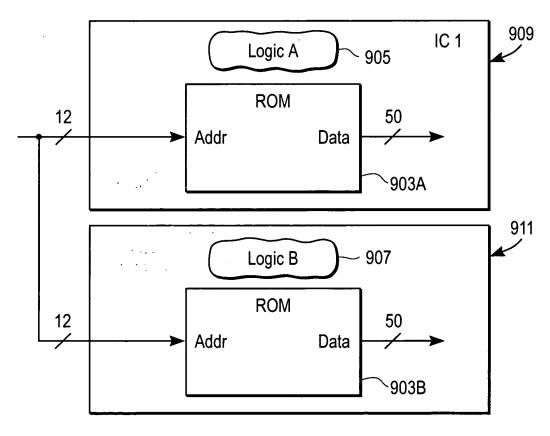


FIG. 10B

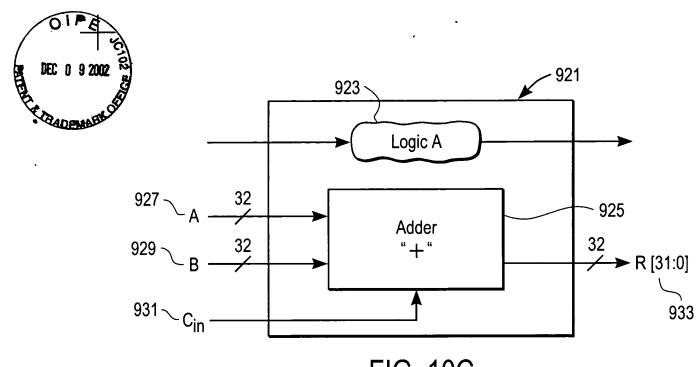


FIG. 10C

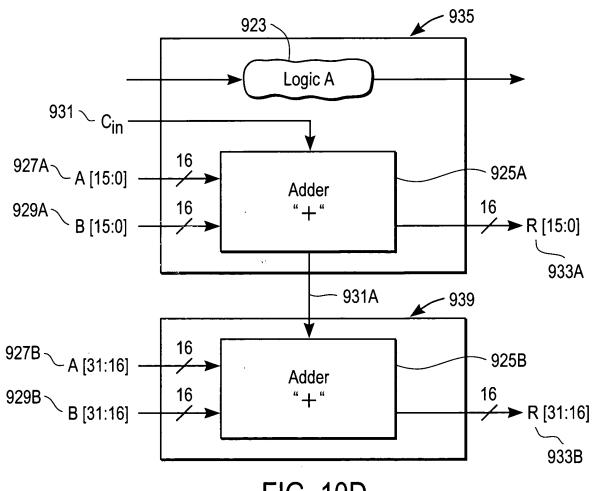


FIG. 10D



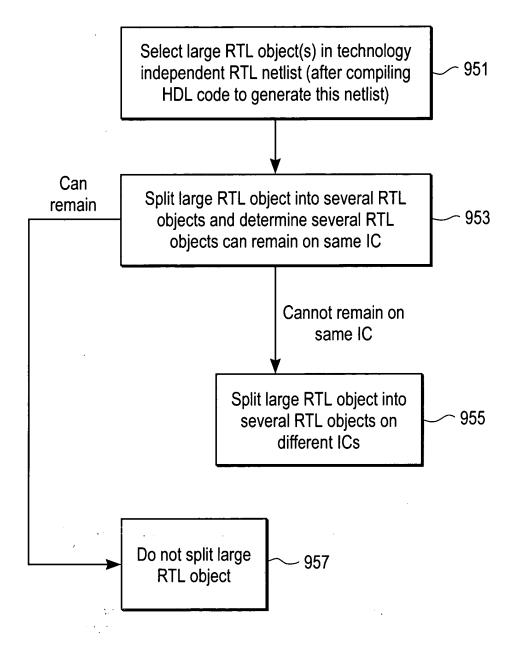


FIG. 10E



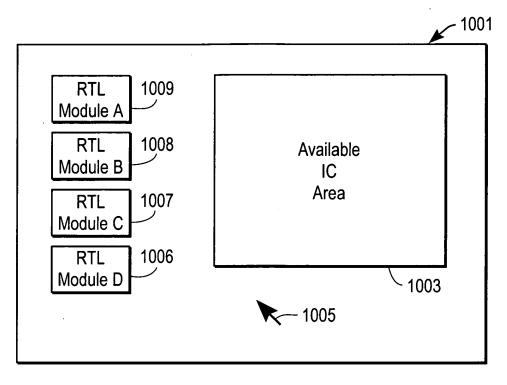


FIG. 11A

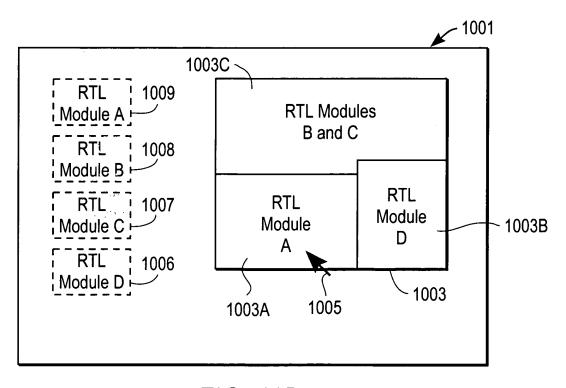


FIG. 11B

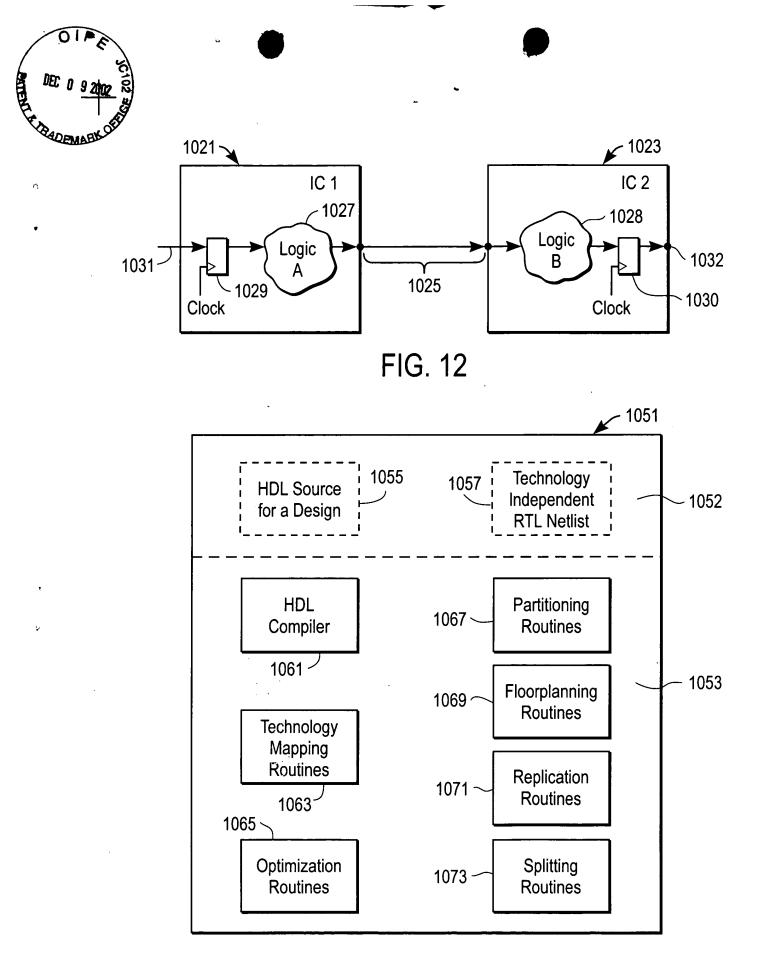


FIG. 13